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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on the patent to issue therefrom.

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In particular, submitted herewith is a full English-language translation of German patent publication DE 3435983 A1, which was identified on December 19, 2007,

with an English-language translation. Words or phrases inserted by the translator are indicated by square brackets.

It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

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